Legislative Analysis



SEXUALLY EXPLICIT VISUAL MATERIAL OF VULNERABLE ADULTS

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House Bill 4076 as introduced Sponsor: Rep. Padma Kuppa

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Committee: Families, Children and Seniors

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SUMMARY:

House Bill 4079 would add a new section to the Michigan Penal Code to prohibit a person from requesting, persuading, convincing, threatening, commanding, forcing, or coercing a vulnerable adult into providing him or her, or any other person, with sexually explicit visual material of the vulnerable adult.

A person found in violation would be guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment for up to 93 days or a fine of up to \$500, or both.

The bill would take effect 90 days after being enacted into law.

Proposed MCL 750.145g

FISCAL IMPACT:

House Bill 4076 would have an indeterminate fiscal impact on the state and on local units of government. The number of convictions that would result under provisions of the bill is not known. New misdemeanor convictions would increase costs related to county jails and/or local misdemeanor probation supervision. Costs of local incarceration in county jails and local misdemeanor probation supervision, and how those costs are financed, vary by jurisdiction. The fiscal impact on local court systems would depend on how provisions of the bill affected caseloads and related administrative costs. Increased costs could be offset, to some degree, depending on the amount of additional court-imposed fee revenue generated. Any increase in penal fine revenue would increase funding for local public libraries, which are the constitutionally designated recipients of those revenues.

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